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SENSITIVE ENZYMES

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Examiner: C. Patterson

AMENDMENT IN RESPONSE TO NON-FINAL OFFICE ACTION

MS Amendment Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS

This is in response to the non-final Office Action dated February 2, 2006, for which a response was due on May 2, 2006. A request for a two month extension of time to reply and the fee for that extension accompany this response. Accordingly, this response is timely filed. Reconsideration of the claims as amended herein is respectfully requested in light of the remarks presented below.

Amendments to the Specification begin on page 2 of this paper.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 5 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 16 of this paper.